



Ninety-Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2005
Committee Statement
LB 56

Hearing Date: February 2, 2005

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (Foley, Burling)

Title: Provide for counties to adopt ordinances

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Advanced to General File with Amendments

X Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

6	Yes	Senators Burling, Fischer, Mines, Pahls, Schimek, Wehrbein
0	No	
0	Present, not voting	
2	Absent	Senators Brown, Langemeier

Proponents:

Senator Mike Foley
Fred Uhe
Gwen Thorpe
Beth Bazyn Ferrell

Representing:

Introducer
Sarpy County Board
Lancaster County Board of Commissioners
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Opponents:

Ryan Weeks

Representing:

Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The bill allows counties to enact ordinances and resolutions, not inconsistent with the laws of the state, to promote public health, safety and general interests of the county. County ordinances may address but are not limited to animal control, registration of burglar alarms, public nudity, curfews, booking fees, and towing.

The county may impose fines, forfeitures, and penalties and provide for the recovery, collection, and enforcement of such fines, forfeitures, or penalties.

Ordinances by counties may not be imposed within the boundaries of incorporated municipalities and will not extend into the extraterritorial jurisdiction of cities and villages.

Prior to adoption of an ordinance, the county board is required to provide notice. Final action will not be taken until after at least one public hearing has been held.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator DiAnna R. Schimek, Chairperson